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DECORATE MINISTER OF HEAVY MACHINE BUILDING;
LENINGRAD BOASTS 2,000 PLANT-INSTITUTE CONTRACTS

RECEIVES ORDER OF LENIN -- Leningradskaya Pravda, 19 Jul 50

The Minister of Heavy-Machine Building, N. S. Kazakov, has been awarded the Order of Lenin on the occasion of his 50th birthday. The decoration was made by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet USSR on 18 July 1950.

SCIENCE, INDUSTRY WORK TOGETHER -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 31 Aug 50

The extensive collaboration between science and industry in Leningrad is attested by the existence of 2,000 contracts between scientific establishments and industrial enterprises.

QUALITY SUFFERS AS PRODUCTION INCREASES -- Yerevan, Kommunist, 20 Aug 50

The Kirovakan Machine Building Plant has just exceeded the 7-month plan for gross production, but it has done so at the expense of the quality of its products. Hundreds of gear wheels have been returned to the foundry for re-smelting, and are typical of the poor-quality production which is almost the order of the day at the plant.

"Anything can happen in the course of a days' work." So say the directors, apparently indifferent to the report of the Moscow Meat Combine, stating that the 20 screw plates received from the plant were not fit for use.

Instead of organizing technical schools and taking other measures to raise the technological level of the plant, the director, T. S. Tatoyan, tries to put the blame on the Ministry of the Meat and Dairy Industry.

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The director of the plant's technical inspection section lacks the training and education to qualify him for his job. Throughout the plant there is an absence of efforts to mechanize labor-consuming operations; in the foundry, the assembly shop, and the boiler shop, to name a few places, heavy work is still done by hand. Many machines and boilers are not put into proper storage upon completion, but are left out in the open exposed to the elements, where they rust, corrode, and soon get out of order.

The management, and in particular, Ts. Knyaznyan, director of supply, show no concern over the disposition of their finished products, and do not see to it that they are delivered to the ordering plants on time. Equipment ordered in the first quarter of this year has not yet been shipped out.

CLOSE SUPPLY SECTION -- Moscow, Moskovskaya Pravda, 12 Jul 50

The Workers' Supply Section of the Novo-Kramatorskiy Machine-Building Plant, Elektrostal', Moscow Oblast, is hereby liquidated. All establishments, enterprises, organizations and private persons having claims against the section must present same by 16 July 1950. Address: Prospekt Stalina, 1/13. A workers' supply section is the plant version of a military post exchange.

SPEED COMPLETION OF DEALS WITH SUPPLIERS, BUYERS -- Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 23 Aug 50

The Puntukas Machine Molding Plant of the Ministry of Light Industry accelerated its turnover of working capital by 18.8 days. This achievement was attained by increasing output, liquidation of above-plan stocks, and speeding up the fulfillment of orders with both suppliers and buyers.

PLANTS EXCHANGE INFORMATION -- Tallin, Sovetskaya Estoniya, 26 Aug 50

The Petrozavodsk Onega Plant has organized a group of workers and foremen under its technological office to study and disseminate the methods and inventions of innovators. The group exchanges information and instruction with workers from other plants, whom it visits. In reciprocation, the group invites representatives from other enterprises to its own plant.

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